

HMB Forces May Be Reduced By Inflation

ATLANTA (BP) — The expansion era of national missions for Southern Baptists, personnel-wise, has been slowed and may level off completely unless more financial support is received.

That is the prediction of Warren Woolf of Atlanta, director of the Personnel Division for the denomination's Home Mission Board.

A mission force of more than 2,200 is dispersed by the agency throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, and Panama, Woolf reported. But for nearly two years the total has hovered at 2,200, he observed.

In March the mission corps was reported at 2,229, an increase of only seven above last year. This small increase came despite the fact that other groups, like state Baptist conven-

ventions, help pay salaries and some have increased their percentage of support.

Adding to the pressure in enlisting mission workers is the fact that hundreds of candidates who have applied for appointment now cannot be financed, Woolf said.

Many of these candidates have been approved by the agency for appointment, and mission spots throughout the nation continue to ask for personnel, but funds are not available, he observed.

Woolf said inflation is the major culprit. Southern Baptists continue to give the agency more money, but slight increases in salaries and fringe benefits have eaten away at expansion. The agency budgets \$15 million a year for its work.

Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary of the mission board, said during the past two years income has increased by approximately 3 per cent per year, while operating costs have increased by 6 per cent annually.

In the area of working with career missionaries, Cecil D. Etheredge, the board's secretary of missionary personnel, said his staff finds themselves having to discourage individuals who are completing their seminary training and wanting to serve in home missions.

"The hardest 'no' we have to say is to the mission interns who have prepared themselves for years for just this type of service," he said.

Etheredge said 105 applicants this year asked for appointment to the US-2 (a Peace-Corps-type service) where college graduates serve for two years in the U.S.A. Of these applicants, 69 were approved, but the mission departments came up with funds to use only 28.

Don Hammonds, secretary of the department of special mission minis-

Christianity Is Mission Of Astronaut

VAN NUYS, Calif. (EP) — "I want to tell everyone in the world that Jesus Christ and God were there."

Those were the words of Astronaut James B. Irwin, one of the first men to ride a dune buggy over the unexplored surface of the moon.

Irwin, who feels that his greatest mission is evangelism, spoke to several thousand people at two morning services of the First Baptist Church here.

He is one of two astronauts to land on the lunar surface during the Apollo 15 mission last summer.

The 42-year-old airman, invited by the pastor, Dr. Harold L. Fickett Jr., was described by his host as "one who is really turned on to the Savior and willing to testify to his faith in Jesus Christ."

Irwin, a member of the Nassau Bay Baptist Church of Houston, presented to the congregation a color photograph of the Apollo 15 landing team on the surface of the moon.

He added his "personal testimony that God was there."

Jim Irwin said he accepted Christ during a Baptist revival in Florida at the age of 11. Throughout the training for his lunar mission "it was preparation in body, mind and spirit," he said.

"My daily prayer was that God would help me get ready."

He described the beauty of earth as his craft circled before blasting away for the moon.

"The next time I looked down I could see Cuba, the Bahamas with

Graham Sees Hope For Brief Time Of Peace

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (RNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham said here that President Nixon's visit to Communist China gave "millions of people throughout the world new hope for peace" for at least a generation.

In an interview with the newspaper Today and in a later broadcast, the evangelist said that "seemingly more was accomplished than most people dreamed possible."

"The Bible teaches that ultimately there's not going to be permanent world peace, Mr. Graham said, "but it is possible we could have a generation of peace. There's nothing in the Bible to prevent us from having a generation of peace."

With regard to the atheistic nature of the Communist Chinese government, Mr. Graham said, "God dealt with nations that weren't Christian and used these nations in strange and various ways — sometimes to bring judgment on his own people."

"We have weapons that can destroy the human race in a matter of a few minutes. And we have to see if there is some accommodation we can reach to save the world from just blowing up."

The evangelist added that the United States "can't claim to be a Chris-

Nine Baptists Present At Briefing Held In White House

WASHINGTON (BP) — Nine Southern Baptists were among a group of 32 religious leaders given a detailed briefing on current foreign policy at the White House by President Nixon's foreign policy advisor, Henry A. Kissinger.

The briefing was "off the record," but dealt primarily with President Nixon's Peking and Moscow trips, (Continued on page 5)

Former SBC V-P

Layman Leads White House Service

WASHINGTON (BP) — Fred B. Rhodes, noted Baptist layman and deputy administrator of the Veterans Administration, said in a sermon at the 35th White House worship service (March 19) that if the world is to have peace it must come by the power of the Spirit.

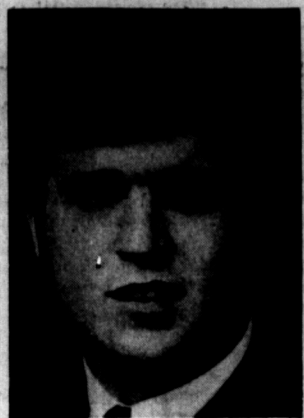
Rhodes is one of six laymen who have conducted the White House services which were begun under the administration of President Richard M. Nixon. He was vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention 1970-71, and is a former member of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

An active deacon in the Briggs Memorial Baptist Church in the Washington suburbs, Rhodes has also served as president of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention. He is presently a member of the Executive Committee of the Baptist World Alliance.

As President Nixon and Rhodes entered the East Room of the White House, the more than 300 guests stood to their feet. After the group was seated the President introduced the



White House Reception—President and Mrs. Richard M. Nixon (right) and Mr. and Mrs. Fred B. Rhodes, Deputy Administrator of the Veterans' Administration, received more than 300 guests in the State Dining Room in the White House following the worship service in the East Room, on March 19.—(White House Photo)



Dennis Johnsey



Robert Cannon



Rick Van Egmond



Chester Reames



James Smalley

State Student Meet Set Apr. 21-23

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'New Faces' Appear On SBC Pastors' Conference Agenda



Girls Of High Rank Honored At Queen's Court

Three Acteens who had reached the highest rank, Service Aide, and five who had attained the second highest rank, Queen Regent-in-Service, were recognized at the Queen's Court held at Camp Garaywa last week. Seated, from left: La Donna Roberts, Calvary, Greenwood, Regent-in-Service; Patty Balch, Harrisburg, Tupelo, Regent-in-Service; Jackie Tutor, Locke Station Church, Service Aide. Standing: Jennifer Price, Regent-in-Service; Melinda Alexander, Service Aide; Susan Campbell, Service Aide; Linda Hill, Regent-in-Service; Cindy Milton, Regent-in-Service. All girls standing are from Meadville Church.

PHILADELPHIA (BP)—The Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference, scheduled to meet here for a one-day session Monday, June 5, will feature addresses in what the president of the organization calls a "Sugar Stick Conference," with the theme, "New Faces."

John R. Bisagno, pastor of First Baptist Church in Houston and president of the Pastors' Conference, said in announcing the agenda for the program that there will be no assigned topics for the messages, but instead each speaker will bring "his best sermon... his favorite sugar stick."

To carry out the theme "New Faces," Bisagno said he had invited "several of Southern Baptists' outstanding new young men" to speak. Each session will close, he added, with a message "by one of Southern Baptists' long recognized great preachers."

The closing speakers for the three sessions are Jess Moody, pastor of First Baptist Church, West Palm Beach, Fla.; James Coggin, pastor of Travis Avenue Baptist Church, Forest Worth; and R. G. Lee, pastor emeritus of Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis.

Eight "new faces," or speakers who have not regularly addressed the Pastors' Conference, will also bring (Continued on page 5)

The annual Mississippi Baptist Student Leadership Training Conference will be held at Camp Garaywa April 21-23.

Dennis Johnsey, student at Mississippi State, president, will preside.

Local Baptist Student Union officers from 30 schools and colleges in the state are expected to attend, according to Rev. Ralph B. Winders, Jackson, director of the Department of Student Work of the Board, sponsor.

Principal out-of-state speakers will be Chester Reames, associate state BSU director of Texas Baptists and Robert Cannon, BSU director, Stephen F. Austin State University, Nacogdoches, Texas.

James Smalley, associate state BSU director of Arkansas Baptists, will be a conference leader.

Dr. James L. Travis, professor of Bible at Blue Mountain College, will be Bible study leader.

Rev. Joe McKeever, minister of evangelism, First Church, Jackson, will be the speaker at the installation banquet for new officers, to be held Saturday afternoon.

Saturday evening there will be a "Celebration Under the Stars," featuring music, testimonies and student summer missionaries.

Music director will be Rick Van Egmond, minister of music, First Church, Amory.

Simultaneous workshops will be featured at Saturday's sessions.

Other features will include Rap sessions, orientation of summer missionaries, campus altars, business session, and special music.

State leaders to participate in program will include Jerry J. Merriman, BSU director at Mississippi State; Rev. Bradley Pope, BSU director at Mississippi College; Tommy Puckett, director of activities, Woodland Hills Church, Jackson; Miss Frances Shaw, director of Baptist Young Women, WMU, Jackson; Rev. Richard Herrington, pastor, First Church, Tehula.

The conference will open Friday evening at 7:00 o'clock and close Sunday morning at 10:45 o'clock.

Americans United Sets Expanded Program

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — Americans United for Separation of Church and State has announced a greatly expanded program to bring the importance of church-state to the attention of the American public and the legislatures and courts. Glenn L. Archer, the organization's executive director for the past 25 years, made the announcement. Dr. Archer said:

"We have entered a new day in

church-state relations and our organization must take cognizance of this. As the only group in the United States whose sole concern lies in the church-state field, we have a special obligation to expand our strategies and programs to meet the current challenges.

"Our new program went to the drawing board with an assembly of 40 leaders from across the nation at Williamsburg in 1969. A number of committees were formed to review our structure, state and local chapters, publications, programs and strategy. As a result of these studies the National Advisory Council of Americans United has now adopted a new set of bylaws scheduled to become effective in 1973. The bylaws move in the direction of a structure more responsive to local needs and desires. Under the new plan, local and state chapters will be largely represented on the governing board.

"Our committee has recommended an enlarged legal department which will be capable of responding more promptly to the requests for legal aid

that pour into national headquarters daily from all around the country. The 1970s will undoubtedly see more church-state litigation than any like period in our history. We must play our part in forming the shape of things to come.

"Another positive forward movement which our board has projected is in the matter of organization. With almost frantic drives to obtain public subsidies for church institutions un-

derway in a score of states, our attention is necessarily focused on these issues. These well-lobbied, well-financed efforts must be countered by a well-coordinated effort of local and state organizations of Americans United with an accent on youth. As polls and elections have shown time and time again, the people are steadfastly opposed to any tax support of churches or their schools. Our task is (Continued on page 5)

Arthur Blessitt, "Jesus Movement" Leader, Will Visit In Strife-Torn Ulster

NEW YORK (RNS)—There is an incipient "Jesus Revolution" brewing in Northern Ireland today according to the Rev. Arthur Blessitt, and he hopes to fan its flames when he visits the strife-torn land on a swing through the British Isles in April.

Mr. Blessitt, who has been identified with the "Jesus movement" in the United States, told Religious News Service that he feels belief in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord is "the only hope" for bringing peace to Northern Ireland.

"There is no political solution that can work," he said, including the British government's recent move to take direct control of Ulster for a year.

He pointed out, however, that "both sides (Catholics and Protestants) believe in Jesus," and said that this is the key to bringing unity to the warring factions there.

100,000 Expected, EXPLO '72

DALLAS, Texas — "People have tried everything else... now, by elimination, they're coming back to God. The hope for our nation and the world rests in a great spiritual awakening!"

So recently said Dr. Bill Bright, who foresees one.

EXPO '72, a Campus Crusade for Christ International-sponsored training conference will take place in Dallas June 12-17, 1972, and will involve attendance figures that would terrify a Rose Bowl promoter. 100,000 delegates are anticipated.

The conference, called officially

"The International Student Congress on Evangelism," will launch a strategy to train 500,000 people during 1972 for a spiritual explosion across America and around the world, according to Campus Crusade President Bright.

High school and college students, laymen and pastors, are urged to participate in the conference. Send individual and delegation applications to EXPLO '72, Dallas, Tx 75222.

Billy Graham has been named Honorary Chairman of EXPLO and will speak at the big event. Dallas conventioners estimate that the total gathering, with 100,000 anticipated at-

tendance from six continents, will be the largest training conference ever held in America. Delegates will come from all 50 states and such distant countries as New Zealand, the Philippines, Brazil, Norway, and Australia.

Highlighting EXPLO will be mass sessions nightly for the entire 100,000 in the Cotton Bowl. All of the seats and the playing field of the massive stadium will be needed to accommodate the singing celebrators each evening. Climaxing the conference will be an anticipated 250,000 on a rolling hillside near Dallas. National TV hour (Continued on page 5)

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EDITORIAL

A Welcome To SBC Foreign Mission Board

Mississippi Baptists extend a warm welcome to the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention as it assembles in Jackson next week.

Members of the board from all over America, and staff members from Richmond, will meet in Jackson next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for their semi-annual meeting.

Highlight of the meeting will come at the Jackson City Auditorium on Tuesday evening when a number of new missionaries will be officially appointed. This service is open to the public, and the auditorium should see an overflow crowd for one of the most meaningful services ever held in the city.

This will be the first time the Foreign Mission Board has met in Mississippi during its entire 127 year history. Meetings usually are held in Richmond where the board headquarters is located. A few years ago, the practice was adopted of holding one of the two annual meetings in a location outside the home city, and Jackson was fortunate enough to be named as one of those meeting places. Mississippi Baptists joyfully welcome these world mission leaders to our state.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is one of the largest, if not the very largest foreign mission agency in the world today. With the board having more than 2,500 missionaries under appointment, and doing work in 75 different nations around the earth, it is questionable whether any other mission agency even begins to approach this size. The number of appointees does not include the large number of native workers in churches around the world, many of whom receive partial or even total support from Southern Baptists.

During the year 1969 the Foreign Mission Board appointed 261 missionaries. A national missions leader of another denomination stated that this is the largest known number of missionaries, ever sent out in a single year by any denomination.

During its 127 year history the board has commissioned a total of 4,427 missionaries, more than half of whom are under appointment at the present time.

While these figures could be looked upon with justifiable pride by Southern Baptists, they actually should bring humble thanksgiving and praise to God that He has given our denomination a missionary spirit, and enabled us to share in such a mighty world program.

The budget of the Foreign Mission Board for 1972 is over \$35,000,000. More than \$17,000,000 of that comes through the Cooperative Program, while an additional approximately \$16,000,000 comes through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. This latter offering is one of the largest, if not the largest, foreign mission offering made by any group. The remaining part of the budget comes from designated gifts, interest from trust funds, etc.

Although this is a tremendous budget, the board needs and could immediately use far more. In almost every mission field where the board's missionaries are working, there are needs which cannot be met, and there are new fields which are open, but cannot be entered because of lack of funds and personnel.

We well remember the time right after World War II when the board had 700 missionaries under appointment, and the convention was challenged to look to the day when there would be 1700 Southern Baptist foreign missionaries at work. That goal was reached and passed, and now the projected goal is 5,000 missionaries supported by our churches. We believe that this goal will be reached in the not too far distant future, and every Southern Baptist should pray for its achievement.

Perhaps no mission board anywhere is more careful in its selection of those who are to be appointed for missionary service, and no board takes more seriously its responsibility for supporting and working with those missionaries. The board, and with it, Southern Baptists,

feels that when God has called a man or woman, or a couple to foreign mission service, and the board has accepted them for its work, then the board must back those workers with the resources, the prayers and the love of the board and of the convention, throughout the period of their service, and even after the time of retirement comes. This enables the missionaries to give their very finest service on the fields, since they can know that they have the backing both of the Lord who called them, and of the convention which sent them out.

No cause is dearer to the hearts of Southern Baptists than foreign missions. From the formation of the convention in 1845 until the present hour, the work of this board has been one of the mightiest unifying forces in the convention, and one of the major programs of its support.

Mississippi Baptists too, always have had a great interest in foreign missions, and have shared in support of the program throughout the convention history. Some of the outstanding missionaries sent out by the board have been Mississippians, and some of the leaders of the agency staff have come from this state. The churches always have enthusiastically supported the Lottie Moon Offering, and gifts from Mississippians in that offering last December totaled more than \$900,000.

It is because of all of this that Mississippians rejoice that the Foreign Mission Board has chosen to meet in our state next week. We welcome these mission leaders here, and look forward to the rich spiritual blessings which will come to us because of their visit.

We would encourage every Mississippi Baptist who can possibly do so to share personally in these spiritual riches, by attending the appointment service at the City Auditorium in Jackson on Tuesday evening. It will be an unforgettable experience as we watch some young Mississippians and others receiving appointment and being dedicated to the world mission task.

Denomination Or Church?

Perhaps you have noted a difference in the terminology used in speaking of denominations. Southern Baptists are spoken of as a Convention, but never as a "Church" when the entire convention is being considered.

This is not true concerning other groups, such as Methodists, Presbyterians, Lutherans, Catholics or Episcopalians. It is the United Methodist Church, the Presbyterian Church, the Roman Catholic Church, etc.

What is the difference? Are not these denominations, even as Southern Baptists are, a denomination? Evidently the difference for the terminology, is the difference in the concept of what a church is. To the Baptist a New Testament church is a local body of baptized believers and he never thinks of his denomination as a church. Others, evidently consider that the groups of local congregations also form a church.

There also is a difference in church government for Baptists recognize the independence and autonomy of each local church, while the other groups, to a more or less degree, have governing bodies with control over the local churches.

It is because of this difference in concept of what a church is, and also of church government, that we have read with a great deal of interest, concerning two proposals which are to be brought before the American Baptist Convention in Denver in May.

First, there is to be a committee recommendation that the name of the convention be changed to "American Baptist Churches." Then, there is to be a recommendation, apparently from the

same committee, that the government of the body be changed to a 201 member General Board with authority to be a "legislative body with policy-determining functions with overall responsibility for giving direction to American Baptist churches. Membership on national program boards would be composed of members selected from the General Board, thus assuring program coordination and accountability."

These two proposals raise some interesting questions. What is the purpose in changing the name from "convention" to "churches"? Is this the first step toward changing the name to "church," and thus seeking to make the denomination a "church" like other denominations? This is not so stated in the proposal, but if this is not what the proponents have in mind, what could be the reason for making the change?

There also is the question of taking autonomy away from the churches. It may be denied that this is the intent, but to put "policy-determining functions" in the hands of a single "legislative" body, with "responsibility for giving direction to American Baptist churches," hardly has been the Baptist form of denominational government. It certainly is a step toward the denominational control which is found in some other groups.

Of course, it is none of our business what American Baptists do in their convention, but we have an idea that these proposals may not be acceptable to all American Baptist churches. We seriously doubt if very many "Baptist" churches are ready to surrender their autonomy

to a denominational board, or even to recognize a larger body as a "church." We are sure that such a proposal would not be acceptable to vast majority of Southern Baptist churches, and we rather think that many American Baptist churches still think in much the same way as do their sister churches in our convention.

A Salute

A salute to the Jackson Jaycees (Junior Chamber of Commerce) for the success of their Easter Sunrise Service at the Mississippi Memorial Stadium. This was the third year they have sponsored the service and this was the largest service with between 4,000 and 5,000 in attendance, according to the estimate of stadium officials. The program was outstanding with Dr. Grady Wilson of the Billy Graham team as the featured speaker. This group also is spearheading a move to invite Billy Graham to return to Mississippi for another revival. We salute them for this splendid work.

Oops!

Yes, slips in the type do come, and we had one on the Editorial Page last week. We corrected a headline, and did not see it again until it was in print. In making the correction, a spelling error was made. We're sorry, but such things do sometimes happen.

ism is changing. This book depicts some of these changes and what they should mean to non-Catholics. The fresh popular style makes this book easy to read.

THE JESUS MOVEMENT IN AMERICA by Edward E. Plowman (David C. Cook, 128 pp., pocketbook size paper, paper, \$3.95) - A paperback reprint of a book first published under the title "The Underground Church."

A quick look at what is happening among young people all across America. If one is to understand the Jesus movement and its impact on our nation, he must read volumes like this by men who have made a careful study of the amazing events, which are literally shaking the nation today.

A TREE OF LIFE, Words of Wisdom for Daily Living compiled by Herbert Prochnow (Baker, 96 pp., \$2.95, in gift box).

Briefs quotations - words of wisdom for daily living - from many famous writers of the past.

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Retired? Like To Move To Florida?

Dear Editor:

You are familiar with the tremendous population expansion in the state of Florida. Because of this tremendous growth we find our area short of pastors, especially for our missions and smaller churches.

There are no doubt several retired ministers in your state who would like to move to Florida and continue their ministry, as I am doing as superintendent of missions in one of our smaller associations. Would you please make this request in your state paper and ask that interested ministers either write me or Dr. Woodrow Fuller, Director, Missions Division, Florida Baptist Convention, 1230 Hendricks Ave., Jacksonville, Fla. 32207.

We are in need of two such ministers in our area at this time and must have them soon to save these small churches.

Otis W. Garland, Supt., Missions
Peace River Baptist Association
P. O. Box 175, 210 Taylor St.
Punta Gorda, Fla. 33950

"Heaven Has A Hotline To The Hanoi Hilton"

Dear Dr. Odle:

The importance of prayer for the Prisoners of War and the Missing in Action should be given first place in our concern for those forgotten Americans.

Other ways of calling attention to their plight should be worked at diligently, but nothing can take the place of prayer. Other overtures may be ignored, but prayer can penetrate the Bamboo Curtain in spite of all the efforts of the enemy.

On Sunday of the National Week of Concern for the POWs-MIA, it was my rare privilege to participate in a twenty-four hour Prayer Vigil held at the American Legion Home in Macon, Miss. The people of Neshoba County came and prayed at thirty minute intervals twice around the clock. As the hours passed, the power of prayer continued to build and a person could actually feel the tremendous impact.

We were persuaded that the POWs-MIA felt it too. Other lines of communication are broken down, but heaven has a hotline to the Hanoi Hilton and other prison camps in Southeast Asia. When a person has been in solitary confinement for years, he must talk to someone in order to maintain his sanity and rekindle his spirit. God's ear is the only one available.

Ivor Clark, Chaplain
The American Legion of Miss.
Macon, Mississippi

On The MORAL SCENE...

By the year 2000, if the United States population "stabilizes," Americans may be older, wiser and wealthier than they are today, the Commission on Population Growth and the American Future says. In the first part of its final report issued recently, the presidential commission defined a "stabilized" population as one in which the average family had two children. In 60 or 70 years, if this zero growth rate were maintained, the United States population would stop increasing when it reached about 300 million, the commission said. The combination of fewer mouths to feed and a larger proportion of workers would lead to an increase in the annual per capita income, the report said. "As income increases, people show an increased preference for services, such as education and health services, as compared with manufactured goods," the report said. These expanded service industries would lead to new jobs and a demand for more highly trained workers. This situation in return would create a demand for more schooling so that education would be continued in the working force long past the pre-

A Woman's World Reaches Far Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

Outside in the garage where we have stored a bunch of things, there is a double stack of hat boxes which I cannot bring myself to part with for several reasons. One reason is that I was a real hat nut when women wore hats, so I feel nostalgic about them. A second reason is that one day I'm gonna be the most popular Granny around because, along with those boxes of hats, I have other boxes whose contents are being kept purely and simply to enhance visits to our house.

I really should go out and get one of those hats and put it on. Then I could take my hat off to Dr. Jack Lyall. He really deserves commendation after commendation, anybody who can get such fantastic sounds out of 130 college people as he did for the Mississippi College Choir performance with the Jackson Symphony recently!

The singers deserve a hat-off, too. When I think of the stacked-up hours of practice it took, the pop tests flunked, the term papers pushed back another day, the dates missed, the tired throats, the absolutely too-full days and nights for both director and singers, I admire the dedication of all.

It certainly was worth it from the listening side - beautiful music exactly right for expressing what the composers wanted to say to us listeners. This is an accomplishment, for it is not always easy to get a composer's message through a vehicle of communication.

I'm sure it was worth it from the singing side, too. How could anyone ever forget being a part of such a powerful presentation? There probably were times before the big nights when each wished he'd never heard of it, but now it'll always be a good memory, and life needs good memories.

At the beginning of the performance I wondered, "Is the symphony making the singers sound good, or are the singers making the symphony sound good?"

Then I knew it was neither. It was what we heard described today as "putting it all together," both bodies of performers directed as near to perfection as human beings can be, then performing together as one body of performers, coming through loud and clear to its listeners.

For the listeners, too, it will be one of life's good memories.

sent cut-off age of 18, perhaps to 22 or even 30, the commission said. However, an end to population growth can achieve none of these goals of wisdom and wealth by itself, the commission warned. "We point out that the fruits of slower growth will be denied to those most in need of them unless deliberate changes are made in the distribution of income to those who lack it by reason of discrimination, incapacity or age," the report said. - (By Susan Fogg, St. Louis Globe-Democrat, March 13, 1972)

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Volume Three of Baptist Encyclopedia is Ready

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, Volume III (Broadman, over 500 large pages, \$9.95) A supplement to the two volume Encyclopedia of Southern Baptists which was issued in 1966. This volume expands and updates the material through 1970. The entire Encyclopedia is an invaluable tool for those who would have at their fingertips information concerning Southern Baptists and their work. This new volume makes the old set much more valuable since it presents the significant developments in the denominational life in the past fifteen years and provides biographical material concerning outstanding Baptists who have died in that period. One finds here not only the latest up-to-date material concerning each of the Southern Baptist Convention agencies, but also of the states. The articles are well written and the information is accurate. There are numerous pages of illustrations and the volumes are attractive and very readable. This latest volume is dedicated to the late Davis Collier Woolley, who was the

managing editor of the volume, but died before its completion. The entire set should be in every church library and in many pastor's libraries. Those who already have secured Volumes I and II will now want to complete their set with this new Volume. Those who have not secured the set before will do well to buy all of it now. It will become more valuable as the years go by both as a reference work and simply for the joy of reading of Southern Baptists, their institutions, their programs and their leadership.

A PREJUDICED PROTESTANT TAKES A NEW LOOK AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH by James C. Hefley (Revel, 128 pp., \$3.95) The author who is now a widely known Christian writer but who grew up in the South, attended New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and was a pastor in New Orleans for eight years show how his prejudices concerning Roman Catholicism have changed. He also shows the changes which have come in Catholicism. He says that the old concepts are not all true today for Roman Catholicism

Baptist layman, W. J. Isbell, Jr. (left), and his Jewish neighbor, Sam Kayman, enjoy a backyard cookout while discussing their plans for Jewish Fellowship Week, April 10-16. Isbell is director of the Baptist Men's Department, Brotherhood Commission, SBC. (Photo by Steve Wall, Brotherhood Commission.)

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speaker of the day, who conducted a brief service consisting of prayer, the Doxology, scripture, anthems and a sermon.

Following the service President and Mrs. Nixon, together with Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes, went to the White House State Room where each guest was introduced to the President. Coffee, orange juice and pastries were served at the reception.

Music for the worship service was provided by "Campus Sing," a voluntary choral group of ten young women from Stephens College, Columbia, Mo. The group was in the nation's capital at the conclusion of a four-state spring tour. Howard Ashley is the director.

Rhodes used for the scripture reading Romans 8:1-11 from the transla-

tion "Good News for Modern Man." His 15-minute sermon emphasized that there is a constant search for power in the world. The most significant power, however, he stressed, is spiritual power, the power of prayer and the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Baptist layman drew upon his experience as the first director of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy for an illustration on power. He talked about the scientific experiments of bringing together two masses of radio-active materials to produce a chain reaction.

Rhodes pointed out that prayer calls for peace have been formed throughout the world. These are moving the hemispheres close together, which gives "hope for a chain reaction for peace in our time," he concluded.

The appearance of Rhodes as lead-

er of the White House worship brought together an interesting combination of history, theology and an emphasis on freedom.

President Nixon is a Quaker whose own religion makes leadership of the **ality** appropriate. Baptist emphasis on the priesthood of the believer makes it possible for laymen to exercise spiritual gifts the same as clergymen.

Perhaps even more significant is the fact that Rhodes dates his religious heritage from Zachariah Rhodes, who was a partner of Roger Williams in the founding of the first Baptist church in America at Providence, Rhode Island, in 1638. Some historians suggest the possibility that he could have been the source of the name of the state of Rhode Island.

More significant yet is the fact that Rhodes is a direct descendant of Ro-

er Williams, the patriarch of religious liberty and separation of church and state in America. Genealogical tracings show that John Rhodes, the son of Zachariah, married Williams granddaughter, Waite Waterman, and that the direct line of descent continued through that union.

A lawyer by profession, Rhodes is at home in both governmental and religious circles. After his duties with the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, he has served as chief counsel of the Senate Armed Services Committee, minority counsel for a special Senate Committee on Unemployment Problems, general counsel of the Veterans Administration, minority counsel of the Senate Appropriations Committee, and secretary of the Senate Republic Policy Committee.

Bob Gray, (pictured) minister of music, Highland, Meridian and coordinator of the Planning Committee, announces the First Youth Choir Concert Demonstration Clinic to be held in the state.

It is scheduled for Friday night, April 14, 6:45, Highland Baptist, Laurens. James Young, minister of music of the host church, extends a warm welcome to all youth and leaders to attend.

The youth choir of First Baptist Hattiesburg, will be the guest choir and there will be other choirs in the area performing, and all youth present will participate in a mass chorus directed by Mr. Hayes, minister of music, First Hattiesburg.

for 1973. The committee is recommending to the convention this year a budget including a 9.8 per cent increase for the mission agency.

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering promoted by the SBC Woman's Missionary Union this year also holds strong promise of some relief, Rutledge said.

The special sections of the offering, which go into effect after the first \$3,650,000 is given, will strengthen Christian social ministries and church extension. Both of these areas support a large number of mission personnel.

Rutledge expressed hope that churches stay with the offering until they reach their goals, and that many will go beyond the goals.

Woolf added that his staff of personnel workers have encouraged seminary graduates to support themselves in secular work while serving as pastors in new growth areas.

"Hopefully, they will build a strong self-supporting work by themselves," he said. "Some are responding to this suggestion, especially those well qualified for secular work," he said.

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messages.

The opening Monday morning session will include messages by Carey Miller, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Aurora, Colo.; Frank Minton, pastor of Tower Grove Baptist Church, St. Louis; and Vander Warner, pastor of Grove Avenue Baptist Church, Richmond, Va.

The afternoon session speakers include Adrian Rogers, pastor of First Baptist Church in Merritt Island Fla.; Jarry Autrey of Friendswood Tex.; and Charles Graves, pastor of Nichols Hills Baptist Church, Oklahoma City.

Closing session speakers will be Lee, Doug Tipps of Comroe, Tex.; and Richard Hogue, evangelist from Houston.

Music during the conference will be brought by the youth choirs of Urban Park Baptist Church, Dallas; First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla.; and First Baptist Church, Houston.

Soloists will be Wm. R. O'Brien, Southern Baptist music missionary in Indonesia; Miss Cynthia Clawson, former soloist for the Columbus Broadcasting System (CBS) television series, "The Newcomers," and Betty Stalneck, evangelistic singer from Lake Charles, La.

Sessions will meet at the Convention Hall in the Philadelphia Civic Center. (The full program will be carried in a later issue.)

J. Albert Vaughn, 2356 Hickory Dr., Jackson, died late Thursday afternoon, March 30, at the Veterans Administration Hospital, following an extended illness. He was the husband of Mrs. Nell Russell Vaughn, an employee of the Baptist Record, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Vaughn was a native of Newton County and had made his home in Jackson for the past 19 years. He served in the U. S. Army Infantry during World War II. He was a member of the Crossroads Baptist Church and a member of the VFW.

Surviving in addition to his wife are one son, James Lewis Vaughn Soso; one sister, Mrs. Ruth Nelson Decatur; one brother, Edward Vaughn of Newton; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 9: a. m. Saturday, April 1, from Wright and Ferguson Chapel with Rev. John Gilbert, pastor of Westview Church, Jackson, Dr. Frank Campbell, and Rev. Temple Wade officiating. Graveside services were at New Hope Baptist Church, Newton County.

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to coordinate this sentiment and make its impact felt in the legislative halls. To this end, Dr. Virgil A. Kraft of Chicago will come to national headquarters to coordinate plans for expanded organization of Americans United. Dr. Kraft has been outstanding as director of the Chicago-Midwestern Office of Americans United. He is a communications specialist who will bring new emphasis to this phase of our work.

"Another forward-looking move we have made is the installation of IBM computer equipment to handle our records and mailing operations.

"Our staff members have also been directed to participate in forthcoming studies and discussions dealing with religious teaching and the public schools."

Whatever else may be the goal of the preacher's proclamation, it aims, essentially, at changing things as they are and converting them into things as they ought to be. Manuel L. Scott in *From a Black Brother*, a Broadman book.

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tion nation — although there are plenty of Christians. We are a materialistic, secularistic nation."

Mr. Graham said President Nixon "is determined that his mark on history will be one that will help bring about peace in the world. The Bible teaches we are to pursue peace, we are to seek peace."

He said the trip has made President Nixon the No. 1 world statesman, and has given America a "tremendous advantage" in dealing with other countries.

"America now has the initiative for the first time in a long time," the evangelist said.

"What has happened in China will mean the world can never be the same again. Whether it's good or bad, the world will be changed, and it's going to be changed radically."

Regarding the possibility of his preaching in Mainland China, the evangelist commented, "China is one of the few nations I haven't preached in. I'd like to before I die, but I'm afraid the possibility is quite remote."

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specials will cover the major events.

"Operation Penetration," to follow EXPLO '72, will build a mighty army of the faithful throughout the U. S. More than 100 additional training conferences will be held across the country as part of this follow-up.

The EXPLO delegates will reach vast numbers of students and laymen. "Potentially ½ million people could be trained during the summer of 1972," says Campus Crusade president Bill Bright. "We are seeking to saturate the entire nation with the claims of Jesus Christ by 1976."

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—Jane Williams

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their clear waters," he recalled.

"A couple of hours later we could see continents, the whole earth in the beauty of color. . . the brown Sahara, the blue oceans, the white clouds.

The earth reminded all of us of a very fragile Christmas tree ornament, surrounded by the blackness of space."

"The thing that really stirred my soul, however, was the fact that I felt God's presence (on the moon) closer than I had ever felt it before," the young man testified.

He said he asked for God's help and "help" was granted immediately. I asked for guidance, and guidance came, as when we miraculously found and retrieved the 'Genesis rock,' " said by geologists to be perhaps the oldest bit of matter ever inspected closely by man.

He said he felt the information gained on the flight would bless all of mankind.



Twelve outstanding Southern Baptist leaders will be participating in the first annual CALL '72 conference for young people on the William Carey College campus, April 15-16.

The two-day meeting will involve large numbers of high school and college students who are seeking vocational guidance for their lives as they anticipate a career in the framework of Christian service.

Invitations are available through the Office of the Chaplain at William Carey College.

Coming to lead the four dialogue sessions on Saturday afternoon are the following specialists in their fields: Dr. Robert Covington from the Foreign Mission Board; Warren Woolf, who will represent the Home Mission Board; and Dr. Joe Odle, editor of the *Mississippi Baptist Record*, who will lead young people in a discussion of the mass media ministries. These will include possibilities of service within Christian journalism, radio and television, and the whole spectrum of mass communications.

Also leading conferences will be: Therman Bryant of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, who will

represent denominational promotional opportunities; Dr. Don Stewart, chairman of the Department of Religion at William Carey College, who will talk of the pulpit ministry, field; and Dr. Joel Ray, Lebanon Association Missionary and Religious Education professor at Carey, who will discuss possible careers in associational missions or in church-related religious education.

Coming from Hattiesburg's First Church to lead conferences will be Ferrell Blankenship, minister of education, who will help students explore religious drama as a profession, and Miss Betty Jo Lacy, minister of youth,

who will talk about the work of jobs open for those interested in working with young people in Christian - oriented programs. Bob Jones, minister of music at Hattiesburg's Main Street Baptist Church, will lead the conference on vocational opportunities in Christian music.

An outstanding conference leader coming from Nashville and the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board will be Don Burnett, placement consultant for the personnel department, who will talk of the jobs which some 750 full-time employees of the S. S. Board find rewarding and challenging.

Two special speakers will highlight

on Sunday, April 16, Rev. Kermit M. Gregor, pastor of Temple Church Hattiesburg, will lead the joint Sunday School class using the Bible study of "the call" as his subject. The 10 the worship service will be under the preaching of Buddy Mathis, outstanding high school evangelist from Pascagoula. Singing for the morning worship service will be Miss Melinda Pope of Hattiesburg who was named first place vocal winner in the most recent Mississippi Baptist Convention music competition. Also performing in the worship service will be Miss *Donna McCaffry, vocalist.

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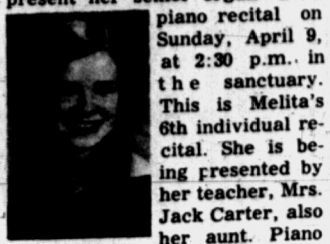
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Names In The News

Melita Ann Shoemaker, organist for First Church, Clara, will present her senior organ and piano recital on Sunday, April 9, at 2:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.



This is Melita's 6th individual recital. She is being presented by her teacher, Mrs. Jack Carter, also her aunt. Piano solos, organ solos, piano duets, organ and piano duets with Mrs. Carter on duets will be rendered. Also included on the program will be her father, N. L. Shoemaker, Jr., and brother, N. L. Shoemaker, III who will play a trumpet duet accompanied by Melita. A reception will follow the recital in the Gilbert Hall of the church. On display in Gilbert Hall will be some of the honors and trophies Melita has won during her music career. Ushers for this program will be Kyle and Kevin Trigg, cousins of Melita Ann.



James Lowe, at right above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Lowe, was ordained March 5 to the gospel ministry, at Union Church, Picayune. Rev. James Shumate, pastor, at left, presented the certificate of ordination. The young man is continuing his college work and is available for supply preaching.

Miss Mary Sampson, former Jacksonian, missionary to Taiwan, is scheduled to arrive April 6 for a short furlough in the States (Address: 8133 Blaine Rd., Richmond, Va. 23235).



Students of Blue Mountain College have elected Mary Ann Chamberlain of Grenada, (left) president of the Student Government Association, and Teresa Collins of Corinth, (right) president of the Baptist Student Union Council for the Centennial Session of the College. Miss Chamberlain is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Chamberlain of Grenada, and Miss Collins is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Collins of Corinth.



Milton Anthony Prescott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Prescott of Terry's Creek community, Magnolia, has accepted the position as minister of music and youth at Centerville Church, Centerville. A piano and voice student at Southwest Mississippi Junior College, he served his home church, Terry's Creek, as song leader for 19 months. He is an accomplished band member, serving the college band as first trumpeter in both stage and marching bands. He was one of 120 FFA members selected from over 500 applicants from 44 states to perform during all but one session of the recent national convention of Future Farmers of America in Kansas City. He has made Superior ratings in song leading at Song Leading Festivals sponsored by the state Church Music Department. He sings bass in the Southwest Chorus.

David Rogers, freshman from Pascagoula, Mississippi, was elected president of the Baptist Student Union at Mobile College, Mobile, Ala., for the coming year.

Lee Cowley, 26, associate pastor of First Church, Trussville, Ala., died of malignancy March 23 in a Birmingham, Ala., hospital. Funeral services were held March 25 at the Trussville church. Cowley was a third-year theology student at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary until last December, when his illness forced him to withdraw from school. A cum laude graduate of Samford University, he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Cowley of Pleasant Grove, Ala. While in seminary he served as pastor of White Sand Baptist Church, Poplarville, Miss.

As U. S. forces in Vietnam are being reduced, two new missionary couples have been welcomed by their Southern Baptist colleagues in Saigon. Mr. and Mrs. James L. Mellum of Mississippi said during a welcoming luncheon that each had sensed God's call to Vietnam one Sunday while he was in Washington and she was at Glorieta, N. M. They will be engaged in evangelism in Vietnam. Arriving in Vietnam with the Kellums were Mr. and Mrs. Gene V. Tunnell of Florida and Georgia, respectively.

David Brown, of 22 Cloverdale Drive, Natchez, member of Cloverdale Church, Natchez, on March 19 was licensed to preach the gospel. He plans to enter William Carey College. The night of the licensing service, held at Cloverdale Church (Rev. James E. Messer, pastor) the service was concluded with the baptism of David's father and mother.



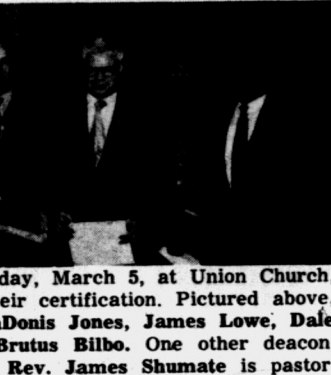
During special services on Sunday, March 5, at Union Church, Picayune, new deacons received their certification. Pictured above, left to right, are Paul Crocker, LaDonis Jones, James Lowe, Dale Seal, Dale Beard, Joe Lee, and Brutus Bilbo. One other deacon, Frank Lee, was unable to attend. Rev. James Shumate is pastor.



Dr. Roy C. McGlamery, medical missionary to Gaza, was the special guest of Clarke College for a recent chapel service. Having practiced medicine in Newton before his first term of service as a missionary, Dr. McGlamery commented, "It's always good to be 'back home'." Joining the chapel attendance were some special guests, including Miss Marjean Patterson, executive secretary, Woman's Missionary Union of Mississippi. After the service she and Dr. Compere, president of Clarke, enjoyed a chat with Dr. McGlamery and one of the young men who came under the McGlamery's influence in Gaza, and who is presently a sophomore at Clarke, Marwan Sayegh. Above, L. to R., are Dr. McGlamery, Miss Patterson, Marwan, and Dr. Compere.



Rev. William Edward Lott, Jr. has accepted a call as pastor of Shady Grove Church, Lincoln County. Mr. Lott and his wife, Sharon, have moved on the church field, from Mayersville Church in Issaquena County.



Rev. and Mrs. L. Wayne Frederick, missionaries to the Leeward Islands, are the parents of a fourth child, Jeanne Carole, born Feb. 23. Frederick was born near Shannon, Miss., but moved several times with his family while growing up, graduating from high school in Net-

leton, Miss. Mrs. Frederick, the former Florence Blush, was born in New Orleans, La., and also lived in Edwards, Miss. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1969, he was pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, Laurel, Miss. They may be addressed at Boite Postal 312, Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe, French West Indies.

Joylene Groce, 13-month-old daughter of Southern Baptist missionaries, died March 18 in Addis Abeba, Ethiopia. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. V. Lynn Groce, Joylene was admitted to the Swedish Pediatric Center, Addis, on March 14. Death came from bronchial pneumonia and a kidney ailment.

James L. Travis of Blue Mountain College, was one of the participants in a writers' conference for adult Sunday School materials at the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Feb. 28-March 2.

Rev. Clyde Gordon, former Mississippian, has been in full-time evangelism for several years. Due to an oversight, his name was omitted from the latest listing of Southern Baptist evangelists. Mr. Gordon is still in evangelism, very much so, and his address is 1214 Shawnee Drive, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

REVIVAL RESULTS

First Church, Marks: March 19-25; Rev. Gordon H. Sansing, pastor; Rev. James Fancher, evangelist; R. L. and Beth Sigrest, musicians; 21 professions of faith; six additions by letter; nine rededications.

Byram Church: 17 by baptism; 10 by letter; 50 Christian decisions; Rev. Billy Burney, evangelist; Gary Black, song leader; Rev. H. J. Bennett, pastor.

Cloverdale, Natchez: February 26-March 3; Campaign for Christ; Rev. James Fancher, evangelist; Ronald Mills, singer; Rev. James E. Messer, pastor; five professions of faith; four additions by letter numerous rededications.

Pelahatchie Church: March 20-26; Jack Hazlewood of Little Rock, Ark., evangelist; Dan Guest, minister of music, Pelahatchie, song leader; Rev. Bob Maddux, pastor; 37 professions of faith; one addition by letter; 35 rededications.

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Unity Church (Pike): April 9-14; Rev. Jimmy D. Porter, pastor Pleasant Ridge Church, Union Assn., evangelist; Wesley Williams, leading the singing; services 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Lawrence Runnels, pastor.

Colonial Heights, Jackson: April 16-21; Rev. Raymond DeArmond, pastor of Berney Points Church, Birmingham, Ala., evangelist; Jimmy Goolsby, minister of music; Mrs. Hubert Q. Pray, organist; regular times on Sunday; 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Oak Forest, Jackson: April 16-23; Clyde Chiles and Jim McNeil, evangelists from St. Louis, Mo., co-directors of the Turning Point Evangelistic Association which ministers through crusades, television, radio, printed word and recordings, in charge of the services; Clyde Chiles, preaching; Jim McNeil, renowned gospel singer on the RCA Heartwarming label, in charge of music; Rev. Tom Hudson, pastor; services at 7:30 p.m. (Chiles and McNeil are originators of YOUTH-QUAKE, a gospel folk festival for adults as well as youth and featured on prime-time television specials.)

Big Ridge, Biloxi: April 9-15; services nightly at 7:15; Rev. Loyd Sparkman, Biloxi, evangelist; Grant Shipp, music director; Rev. Robert M. Carlisle, pastor.

HOUSTON, PARKWAY: April 30-May 5; Rev. Billy Roby, First Church, Horn Lake, evangelist; Tom Hardin, Houston, singer; Rev. Ira Bright, pastor.

Trinity, Vicksburg: April 9-14; services at 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Rev. Clark McMurray, pastor of First Church, Pascagoula, evangelist; Gael Eddings, minister of music and youth at Trinity, leading singing; Rev. Marvin D. Bibb, pastor.

French Camp: April 9-14; services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. James E. Drane of Ackerman, evangelist; Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor.

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Morrison Chapel, Cleveland: (Family Life Revival) April 9-13; Dr. J. Clark Hensley, director, Christian Action Commission, Miss. Baptist Convention Board, Jackson, evangelist; Alex Fletcher, song leader; services Tuesday-Thursday 7:30 p.m. (no services on Monday); Rev. Dewitt Mitchell, pastor.

First Church, Philadelphia (Neshoba): April 3-9; Bill Webb, pastor, Midway, Meridian, evangelist; Don Gomillion, minister of music, Trinity, music director, services 7:30 p.m.; regular services on Sunday; Rev. Tom Espy, pastor.

Blythe Creek (Choctaw): April 9-14; Rev. Bobby Joe Barnett, pastor, Chester Church, evangelist; Gail Busby, Blythe Creek, in charge of music; services at 7 p.m.; Rev. Paul G. Cain, pastor.

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The Church: The Worshipping Community

By Clifton J. Allen
Matthew 18:19-20; John 4:19-24;
Acts 2:41-44; Colossians 3:14-17

It would seem natural that the first expression of the church's corporate life ought to be the worship of God. A local church properly thinks of itself, primarily, as a congregation assembled for Christian worship. It thus follows the pattern of New Testament teaching. Our first picture of the early church, following Pentecost, is that of a worshipping community. The experience of the believers drew them together in the unity of the Spirit and in a fellowship of love that found expression in offering praise to the Lord, in seeking a fuller understanding of the meaning of the gospel of Christ, and in sharing their faith with one another and giving help to one another as anyone had need. A church both expresses its faith through worship and nurtures its life through worship. And as a consequence, it gives

a convincing testimony to the world through worship.

The Lesson Explained
The Dynamic Presence
Matthew 18:19-20

These two verses conclude some teaching given by Jesus related to church discipline. But the two verses have important relevance related to the church as a worshipping community. The truth of so fundamental and urgent relevance is that worship assumes that Christians are joined in the spirit of prayer, that they are in harmony of spirit, and that they are concerned to acknowledge the lordship of Christ and to seek from him the blessings of his grace and strength and peace and instruction. There must be yieldedness to Christ if there is to be genuine worship. His presence is the dynamic of heaven's energy and glory, of forgiving love and the riches of grace, of universal compassion and infinite holiness. When Christ is present, all the fullness of God is present—the forgiving Father, the Lord of glory, the counseling Spirit. The one indispensable for worship is a recognition of the presence of Christ in

his church and a worthy response to him as the Lord of life.
The Right Spirit
John 4:24

This verse, drawn from Jesus' conversation with the woman of Samaria, must be understood in its setting. She had a false concept of worship, thinking it was chiefly a matter of place, thinking God was restricted to a particular place. Then Jesus declared the sublime truth about the nature of God. He is a spiritual being; God is spirit. He cannot be restricted to one place; he is in every place. He can be worshiped in any place. The place is not of first importance. The right spirit is absolutely essential.

Let this relate primarily to the church as a worshipping congregation. Worship calls for sincerity, for genuine reality. There must be hunger for God, a genuine sense of the reality of God, a genuine desire for communion with God, a genuine willingness to be dealt with by God. This means that there must be openness to God, yieldedness, penitence and humility before God, genuine self-giving to God. In the worship of God there

can be no shame or pretense.
The Sharing Of Corporate Life
Acts 2:41-47

Following Pentecost, the believers shared their corporate life in Christ as they devoted themselves to worship. These brief verses show that there was Christian teaching (and we may assume Christian preaching as well), warmth of relationship in the fellowship of Christ, communion with God and with one another through the Lord's Supper, reverence and awe in the recognition of special manifestations of the Spirit's presence, frequent assembling together, a sense of spiritual unity that led to the sharing of goods in response to the needs of members of the group, thanksgiving and praise to God, and the saving power of the Lord being manifested as new converts were added to the Christian community. An awesome sense of the nearness of God, of the presence of the living Christ, and of the working of the Holy Spirit elicits reverence, humility, dedication, and praise. Spiritual values are given first place. Joy in the Lord means joy among the believers. Fellowship in the Spirit inspires generosity toward and sharing goods with one another as members of the group have need.

1972 Summer Student Music Program

The Church Music Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board is conducting again this summer the Summer Student Music Program. This program is available to all Southern Baptist churches of limited means and music leadership to establish and improve the music ministries. Kathy Richey, pictured, senior Music Education major at Mississippi College, will coordinate the 1972 program. The student workers are qualified music majors who are carefully selected and oriented by personnel of the Church Music Department. Specific ways a worker can help are: 1) Lead in a School of Music; 2) Assist with music in Vacation Bible School or revival; 3) Organize and improve choirs; 4) Help director, pianist, and organist; 5) Improve congregational singing.

The responsibilities of the church are to promote the event, provide food and lodging for the worker while on the field, and take an offering to help defray expenses.

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JULY 9-14	

We understand that our church is to do four things: 1) send in the application; 2) promote the event; 3) provide food and lodging for the worker while on the field; 4) give the worker an honorarium.

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Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

Endued With Power From Above

Acts 1:12-14; 2:1-7, 16-17

By Bill Duncan
Many years ago Andrew Murray said, "The one thing needful for the church, and the thing which, above

all others, men ought everywhere to seek for with one accord and with their whole heart is to be filled with the Spirit of God." There never has been such a need as there is now for the power of Pentecost to be the power of the individual Christian's life.

There will never be another Pentecost. But the full blessing of Pentecost can be any person's possession. There are many important facts that we need to remember about the Holy Spirit. The only way a Christian can be truly happy is under the control of the Holy Spirit. Without the Spirit's control the church and the Christian can never live or work as God desires. This blessing can be had when Christ is the Lord of the life. Everywhere we look today we see the evidence that there are many unhappy people who have missed the full blessing.

The Holy Spirit is in every life that is saved but He may not be in control. Salvation is the work of the Holy Spirit. But many people grieve the Holy Spirit by refusing to yield themselves fully to Him.

The early church found the secret

to the power of the Holy Spirit. We need to find the blessings of Pentecost as our blessing.

OBEDIENCE: ACTS 1:12-14

Jesus told the disciples that the promise of the Holy Spirit came as the result of obedience. "If you love me, ye will keep my commandments: and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter." Peter said, "the Holy Spirit whom God hath given to them that obey Him."

The last instruction to the disciples were that they should tarry in Jerusalem. The main thing they did until Pentecost was to pray. Therefore they joined together in obedience and made prayer their way of life. They prayed for the abiding Comforter that had been promised. Prayer is fitting to search and cleanse the heart. To the soul that is sincerity prays according to His word, God's answer will surely come.

RECEIVING ACTS 2:14

Whenever a Christian begins to strive for the blessing of power by faith, obedience, humility and submission, he sees that he has met the only condition for this great blessing. The blessing of power is a supernatural gift from God. The only thing that a person can do is receive the gift of God.

John 8:37,39, "If any man think, let him come unto me and drink." This spake he of the Spirit which they that believe on Him should receive.

The main part for man is the holy

thirst for the blessing of the Holy Spirit. Every fresh imparting of the Holy Spirit comes from above. We never let the Holy Spirit fill our lives until we let God clean up our lives. The thirst may be in the part of faith for this truth and courage to expect in the confidence the power of the Holy Spirit.

The result of the coming of the Holy Spirit was that they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. The visible evidence was a sure sign that something great had happened to the small band of disciples. The miracles were not permanent endowment but for the moment.

ACTION ACTS 2:5-21

The ability to speak and prophesy was the result of the filling of the Holy Spirit. The men began to speak were all the people could hear.

This furnishes the reason why we all need the full blessing of Pentecost today. These men were able to be used when their lives were controlled by the Spirit. There was love on their part toward the people because of the Holy Spirit. They not only loved the lost but they loved one another to the point that they shared with one another the spirit, the disposition, the wonderful love of Jesus filled them, because He had come into them. The word of God became new in their hearts. The Old Testament was fulfilled, they said. They were able to comprehend the doctrine of a suffering and dying Messiah. They now saw through the Spirit that interpreted for them. He also guided them into all truth as Jesus said he would.

The power was promised to those who would be witnesses. The same power of the Spirit we need for witnessing in Japan is needed to go next door. Could it be that the reason so few know so little about God's power through the Holy Spirit is because they desire and undertake nothing requiring divine power? God offers every Christian the power and guidance he needs for being a witness to Christ.

Brian Hill Calls Pastor

On April 16 Rev. A. G. Gray, pictured, will begin his ministry as pastor of Briar Hill Church, Rankin County. Mr. Gray was ordained to the ministry in the Flood Church where he served as pastor for three years.

Rev. and Mrs. Gray were both reared in the Cross Roads community and they have four children (Rev. Ricky Gray, pastor of the Cato Church in Rankin County, is their son.) This will be Mr. Gray's third pastorate in Rankin County.

He goes to Briar Hill from the Salem Church in Walthall County where he has served for the past five and half years. Under his ministry the Salem Church experienced substantial growth in all areas and cooperated fully in the associational program.

Moves To Columbus

Perry Robinson recently became minister of music at First Church, Columbus, and he and his wife and their three small sons, Glenn, Ron, and Kevin, have moved into their new home at 3504 Camellia Circle, Columbus. Born in the Ellisville - Laurel area, Mr. Robinson attended William Carey College one year and graduated from University of Southern Mississippi and from Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, with a Master of Church Music degree from the latter.

Since graduation from the seminary six years ago, he has served as minister of music at Colonial Church, Memphis, and has recently been serving as director of music for the Shelby County Baptist Association.

Mrs. Robinson is a graduate of Blue Mountain College, with a major in music, and of Southwestern Seminary. She served as church pianist for the Colonial Church in Memphis.

Banquet Launches Preparations For Robison Crusade

Preparations for a James Robison Evangelistic Crusade in Lebanon Association were launched March 18 at William Carey College Cafeteria. Nearly 600 persons attended the crusade banquet and heard the evangelistic team. The response was very good: \$13,000 pledged toward the expense budget of \$20,000.

"The Baptist churches of Lebanon Association are cooperating in bringing this outstanding evangelist to Hattiesburg next October 8-15 for what many feel will be the greatest religious

Old-Fashioned Service

First Church, Summit, held a special Old-Fashioned service Sunday, April 2, at 7 p. m. The theme and sermon subject was "The Old-Time Religion." The church was lighted by coal oil lamp. Members and guests were invited to wear their centennial costumes for the special service. Rev. Larry Fields is the pastor.

gious crusade ever held in Hattiesburg next October 8-15 for what many feel will be the greatest religious crusade ever held in Hattiesburg," reports Rev. Garland McInnis.

The James Robison team can be heard every Sunday morning on the Biloxi television station, WLOX, at 8:30.

Palm Sunday Every Sunday

On Palm Sunday, Norman and Martha Lytle and their three children walked over the brow of the hill behind their home and down the narrow road to Bethany. Then with hundreds of other pilgrims they retraced Jesus' Palm Sunday ride from Bethany over the Mount of Olives to Jerusalem. When they reached the crest of the mountain, they saw the old city in dawn's light — just as they see it every morning of the year.

The Lytles live on a part of the Mount of Olives very close to where Jesus must have been when he beheld the Holy City's first century skyline as he journeyed from nearby Bethany. Each morning the sun rising from behind the Mount of Olives falls on the gleaming domes and spires of the ancient city to greet the Lytles.

The house itself was built over a 100 years ago of heavy limestone with domed roofs and floors of Damascus tile. Heat, courtesy of Daresene, is carried from room to room.

For years the house was owned by a doctor who hoped to establish a study center there. He leased it to

Southern Baptist missionaries Bob and Eddie Fields for four years. When the Fieldses returned to the State the Lytles took up the remainder of the lease.

The old house was under Jordanian control until the Six Day War. It suffered no damage in the battles that saw the Israelis occupy old Jerusalem and the Judean hills all the way to the Jordan. A heavy concrete machine gun emplacement still occupies the lower portion of the front yard.

Norman Lytle directs the Baptist Student Center adjacent to the old Mandelbaum Gate. He finds deep meaning in the realization that his home is located on the sacred mountain from which, Christian tradition says, Jesus ascended into heaven after giving the Great Commission which brought the Lytles to Israel.

From a sitting room window Bethlehem can be seen to the south. Below the majestic pines in the front yard of the home stretches the Kidron Valley, and the ancient olive trees of Gethsemane are clearly visible. It is no wonder Palm Sunday is so special to the Lytles.

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Devotional

The Risen Lord: Our God

By James L. Travis, Blue Mountain College

"Do you really believe Jesus came back to life? Yes? No? What difference does it make anyway?" Few persons will question so openly as this young skeptic did, but many church members show the same careless attitude toward the resurrection of Jesus.



Did he really rise? Many modern religious thinkers reject the personal resurrection of Jesus as an impossibility. They suggest that Jesus lives on only in the minds of people as His life and influence affects them for good. If it helps you to believe He still lives, believe it then. But, of course, they say, He didn't really come back to life. Such an idea belongs to a primitive legend necessary for first century minds but not for modern ones.

Jesus did come back to life, a once-for-all, miraculous, humanly impossible act. And this act was vitally important. His resurrection proves He is the Son of God!

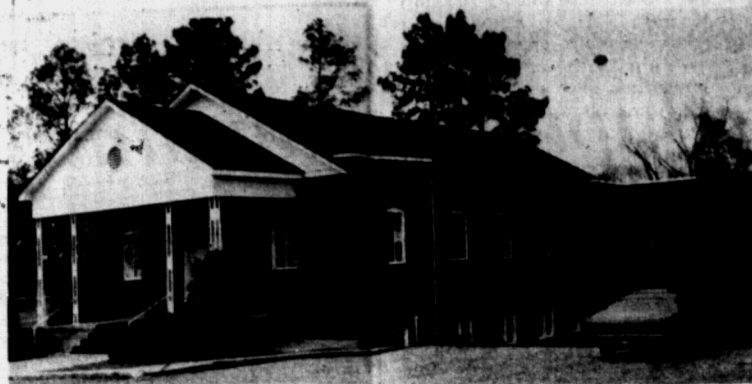
In Romans 1:4, the Word reads, "Declared to be the Son of God with power by His resurrection from the dead." He proved He was divine by taking up His life after He died. No one else ever did a thing like that. Other great men have lived, taught, done good things, and their work and teachings are helpful. But they were only men, for when they died they stayed dead. Jesus is the only person who came back to life. He must be more than a man. He is God.

Confucius died and is still dead. Gautama, the Buddha, died and is still dead. Muhammad died and is still dead. Gandhi died and is still dead. Rutherford died and is still dead. Father Divine died and is still dead. The same terse obituary fits every and all others.

Jesus died, but He rose from the dead! He died as a sacrifice to atone for our sins but He was stronger than death. He died in our place as our substitute. But He arose and now lives. Only God could do a thing like that.

What Jesus taught, therefore, has the stamp of God on it. What Jesus commanded has the authority of God behind it. What Jesus promised has the power of God to fulfill it.

Begin to trust Him as Saviour. Start to obey His commands. Continue to believe His promises. Start today to follow Jesus, the Risen Lord.



Glade To Celebrate 25th Year

Glade Church will observe its 25th anniversary with homecoming on Sunday, April 9. Guest speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Fred Williams of Fort Myers, Florida, first pastor of the church.

The church was organized on April 13, 1947, when a group of interested people met after seeing the need for a Baptist church in the Glade Community. The late Horace Headrick was moderator; Boyd Sanderson, clerk; and Rev. John Cook, was county missionary. Leonard Melvin, Sr. made the motion to organize. There were 33 charter members that day, and a collection was taken the first day in the amount of \$100.88. These members elected Jim Gambrell and Ennis Pippen as first deacons, and Mrs. Grambell as church clerk. Mrs. J. L. Griffin was elected church treasurer.

Dr. Williams, at that time a student at Clarke College, served as pastor for five years and nine months. The present pastor is Rev. Roy Myers.

The church began with worship services in the Glade School Building. However, within the year a new building was begun, and now the church building, pastor's home and grounds are valued at approximately \$300,000 and the annual budget is \$50,000 with a total membership of 544.

In 1952, the church voted to sponsor a mission in the nearby Antioch Community, and Emanuel Church became a witness in that community. Glade Church has also ordained three young men to the full gospel ministry.

Rev. Myers invites all former members and friends to come to this celebration.



"Navigators" Sing In Festival

The "Singing Navigators," a Christian folk-singing group from Greenfield Church, Greenville, participated in the "Solid Rock Festival" March 31 - April 1 on the beach in Gulfport. The "Singing Navigators" have been used in revivals, banquets, youth rallies, etc. and are available for performances. A. B. Henderson is the minister of music and youth.



Pastor's Wife Dies

Services for Mrs. Elsie Jenkins Ayers, 65, were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, March 24, at Friendship Church, Monroe Assoc. with Rev. R. J. Wilmon, Rev. Grafton Renfro and Dr. Percy Ray officiating.

Mrs. Ayers, whose husband, Rev. Herbert W. Ayers is pastor of Friendship Church, died at her home Wednesday night, March 23. She was a member of Friendship Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by two daughters Mrs. Lillie Carpenter of Cornelia, Ga., and Mrs. Annie Mae Ransier of Shannon; four sisters, three brothers, and eight grandchildren.

The one thing every human being must do to be fully alive, to be contented, is to know and accept himself as he is; to give up once and for all trying to be someone else. — Anonymous

A contented heart is better than a full purse. — Italian Proverb

Goodyear Church Plans Bus Clinic

More than 500 pastors and bus ministry workers are expected to attend the Area-wide Bus Conference at Goodyear Church, Picayune, beginning Sunday night, April 9, and concluding on Tuesday night, April 11.

Speakers will be: Rev. Jim Vineyard, bus director at Thomas Road Church, Lynchburg, Va.; Rev. Derry Norman, bus pastor at Landmark Baptist Temple, Cincinnati, Ohio; Rev. W. D. "Step" Martin, pastor of Calvary Church, Shreveport, La.; and Rev. Richard White, bus director at Calvary Church, Shreveport, La.

Each of the above-mentioned churches has a fast-growing bus ministry. The Thomas Road Church averages over 1400 every Sunday on 80 busses. Landmark Temple averages 2500 each Sunday.

This conference is open to all who want to attend. Registration is \$5.00 per person and may be paid upon arrival. For advance registration, call Pastor A. F. Grice at 798-6193, Picayune, Mississippi.

Panola Association Given Plot Of Land

At a recent meeting of the Panola County Association, North Batesville Church presented to the association a parcel of land, approximately one acre, located on Highway 51 in Batesville. The land is a gift to the association and will be used in the near future in building an associational missions office. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. Lee Hudson, his brother, Rev. W. M. Hudson, pictured on the left, made the presentation to the associational moderator, Rev. J. D. Joslin, seen on the right in picture. Rev. G. E. Jolley is the Panola superintendent of missions.

Star Baptists Get New Organ

Pictured are three members of the "Organ Committee" of Star Church. From left: James Beasley, minister of music; Mrs. Sam Whittington, and Roy Dawson. Other members of the committee were Mrs. Roland Walker and Gail Gibbins.

The committee raised funds through contributions from members to pay cash for a modern Hammond organ. The beautiful new instrument was dedicated at a special service March 19th, conducted by the pastor, Rev. A. J. Pace, assisted by James Bilbo of Florence Church.



Main Street Begins New Sanctuary

Main Street, Mendenhall, broke ground February 27 for a modern sanctuary, with seating capacity of 250. Construction has begun. Meadows and Cliburn Construction Co. of Mendenhall are the builders. Pictured are the Building Comm. Members. Left to right: Percy Coates, Charles Meadows, chairman, Grant Jones, Joe Moss, Hillman Miller, W. A. Davis, Rev. Terry Howard, pastor. Not pictured, Virgil Parker, Jr.

Biloxi Reception Honors Gunn Family

Rev. Frank Gunn and family were honored at a reception on his first Sunday as pastor of First Church, Biloxi.

loxi, on March 19. Mr. Gunn became the twenty-third pastor in the 97-year history of the historic church in downtown Biloxi. He moved to Biloxi from the Forest Church where he had been since 1966.

Following the Sunday evening service, the church families "Pounded the Pastor" by bringing canned goods and staple food articles to help fill his pantry as he moved to the church pastorage at 213 Kensington Drive.

The church also welcomed the Gunns Sunday by having an unusually high attendance in all three worship services of the day and Sunday School.

Hurricane Creek Calls Pastor

Hurricane Creek Church, Marion County, has called a new pastor, Rev. Donald R. Womack, native of Simpson County. He goes to Hurricane Creek from Kennedy Springs Church, Magee, after a four-year ministry there.

Mr. Womack received his training at Mississippi State University and Mississippi College. He has pastored several churches in the Simpson area.

Mrs. Womack is the former Sandra Polk of Marion County. She is the daughter of the late Sheriff J. V. Polk and Mrs. Olie Polk. She is also a graduate of Mississippi College. They have three children, Pagie, Shannon, and Ritchie.

Rev. and Mrs. Womack moved to their new church field March 30. Their new address: Rt. 1, Sandy Hook, Mississippi.

Off The Record

Noah had assembled all the animals but when morning came the Ark had disappeared. "Where did it go?" he asked the elephant. "It wasn't here when I awoke," that great animal replied. "I can't see it anywhere," said the giraffe from his vantage point. "I would have guarded it but I didn't think anything would happen," said the lion. Then off to one side a groan was heard and they turned to see a termite, staring down at the earth, saying over and over again, "I can't believe I ate the whole thing. I can't believe I ate the whole thing."

John Jones didn't know pollution was so bad until he saw a bluebird in his yard and found out that it was a redbird holding its breath.

Money vanishes so fast, it is surprising that you don't hear a sonic boom.

Abraham Lincoln was smart enough to make fun of his homeliness. During the famous debates with Stephen Douglas, Douglas accused him of being two-faced. Lincoln replied calmly: "I leave it to my audience — if I had two faces, would I be wearing this one?"

Mantee Sets Record For Mission Offering

Mantee Church set a goal of \$1400 for the Annie Armstrong Home Mission Offering. Through the leadership of the WMU the church has exceeded that goal by giving \$1700. In December the goal for the Lottie Moon Offering was \$2200; the church responded by giving \$3000 to foreign missions. This giving is phenomenal, considering the fact that the Mantee Church has an average of 150 in Sunday School.

In 1967 the church gave \$1400 to the Lottie Moon Offering and \$600 to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering. Since then the monetary support for these offerings has more than doubled.

The pastor of the Mantee Church, Rev. Larry Kennedy, recently accepted the pastorate of First Church, Amory.

This, then, becomes your task as a Bible teacher: (1) Begin with a Scripture passage or passages. (2) Study this material until you can state the central idea of it. (3) translate that central idea into a present tense "now" — central truth — so that God speaks again and anew. — H.C. and Velma Brown in Preparing for Effective Bible Teaching, a Broadman book

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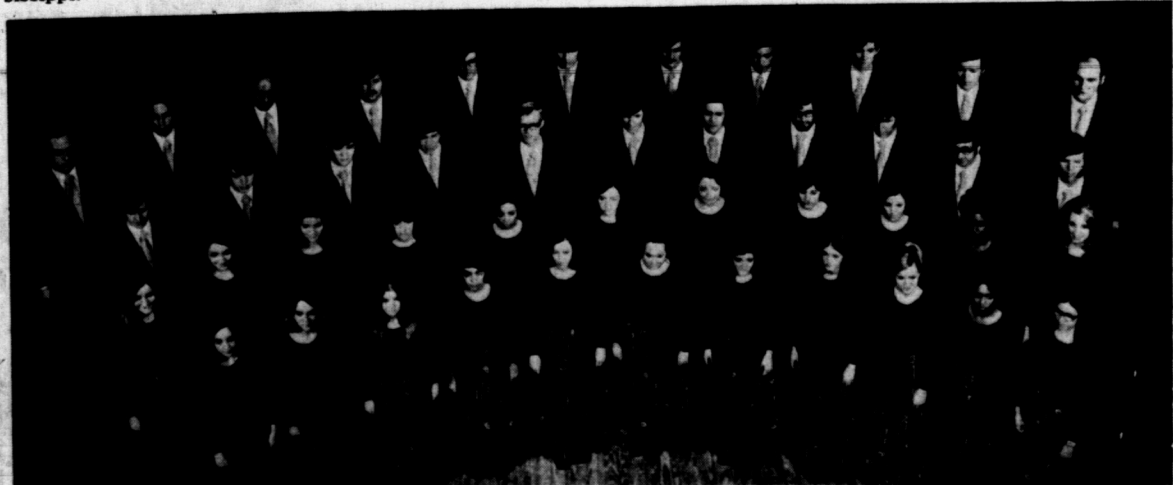
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Carey College Choral On Spring Tour

The Carey College Choral of Hattiesburg, under the direction of Dr. Donald Winters, is on tour April 4-15 singing in churches and schools in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida and Louisiana. The itinerary of the tour is as follows: April 4 — Clarke College; April 5 — Holmes Junior College; April 6 — First Church, Moss Point; April 7 — First Church, Biloxi; April 8 — First Church, Grand Bay, Ala.; April 9 — Second Church,

Montgomery, Ala.; April 10 — Southside Church, Dothan, Ala.; April 11 — Whitfield Memorial Church, Pensacola, Fla.; April 12 — Calvary Church, New Orleans, La.; April 13 — First Church, Magee, (not definitely confirmed); April 14 — Calvary Church, Jackson; April 15 — William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Thomas Hall Auditorium.